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In re Patent Application of:

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For: METHOD FOR RECOGNIZING

AND DISTRIBUTING MUSIC

RESPONSE

Commissioner for Patents

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Sir:

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This is responsive to the Office Action of July 8, 2004, the period for reply to which has been set to expire on August 7, 2004 (a Saturday, and thus on the following Monday, August 9).

In reply to the requirement for restriction, Applicant elects the invention of Group I (claims 1-17) for prosecution in the present application.

The Office Action notes that Applicant declined to make an election by telephone. Unfortunately, Applicant did not realize at the time that the application in question was his own, not a client's, so reporting the restriction requirement to a client and seeking instructions would not be necessary.

Examination of the application in light of the above election is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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